



Introducing Agriculture to Elementary Students through 4-H Agri-Science in the City

Purpose

4-H Agri-Science in the City provides youth in urban elementary schools with access to standards based agriculture and food system education through school day enrichment and afterschool clubs.

In August 2016, primary focus of the program shifted to Pleasant Hill Academy (an Environmental Sciences School) to come into alignment with Cincinnati Public Schools Vision 2020. Afterschool and enrichment programs continue at Rothenberg Preparatory Academy and Silverton Paideia.

Impact

Provide 425 students with project based agricultural and food system education.

Manage and sustain afterschool 4-H clubs at Rothenberg Preparatory Academy, Pleasant Hill Academy and Silverton Paideia.

Provide agriculture education training to 30 teachers and ensure that teachers implement at least one agriculture lesson in their classroom.

Ohio State Colleges/Units Involved

College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences
Ohio State University Extension
4-H Youth Development

Community Partners Involved

Cincinnati Public Schools
Pleasant Hill Academy
Rothenberg Preparatory Academy
Silverton Paideia Academy
Rothenberg Rooftop School Garden
The Civic Garden Center of Greater Cincinnati
Cincinnati Parks
YMCA
Imani Family Center
Greater Cincinnati Regional Food Policy Council
Environmental Alliance for Leadership and Interconnection
National Forestry Service
Ohio Soybean Council
Rep. Jim Buchy



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How you can get involved:

- Provide a project or activity to a classroom.
- Provide a training to teachers on an important agricultural or food system topic.
- Clean up a garden site.
- Assist in creating standards aligned, agriculture and environmental science puzzles and question documents.
- Help set up project kits.
- Provide funding for student lessons.
- Donate children's books about food and agriculture.
- Provide funding to hire summer interns.
- Donate seeds, soil and tools for the garden.
- Provide funding for field trip and immersion experiences.

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